

# The Lancaster Gazette.

## Circular from Mr. Spooner.

Thomas Spooner, of Cincinnati, President of the Order of Know Nothings in Ohio, has addressed a circular to the fraternity, in which he earnestly exhorts them to support Mr. Chase. He attaches a far more comprehensive meaning to the term of "Americanism," than many of his brethren. He holds that it is not limited to opposition to foreigners, but that it is the embodiment of liberty in its wildest and most enlarged form. The liberality of this view will meet with the warmest approbation among the people of Ohio, and it is to be hoped that the contrasted and proscriptive ideas once cherished by the Order will never be revived.

Among the reasons urged by Mr. Spooner for supporting Mr. Chase, are the following, which must carry weight with them:

1. The unlimited freedom of religious disconnection with politics—Hostility to ecclesiastical influences upon the affairs of Government—Rejection of all forms of political organization, except those existing, and no man or party allegiance, by reason of their religion, higher than that of the Constitution.

2. No national bank, no national bank, and no roads or canals to be constructed by Parliaments, and the protection of laws all who lawfully immigrate from lands of liberty; but the abolition of foreign pauper and slave trade, and the prohibition of the importation of slaves after they shall have resided 21 years in the U. States and complied with the Naturalization Laws.

3. The right of every man to be his own master, exclusively of foreigners, and to foreign Ministers, Commissaries, and all attempts to enslave the free from slavery.

4. Slavery is *legal—not natural*; we oppose its extension in any of our territories, and the increases of its political power by the admission into the Union of any new states, and we demand the dissolution of the General Government and immediate redress of the gross wrongs which have been inflicted upon the slaves by the Missouri Compromise, and the introduction of slavery into Kansas in violation of the laws of God and men.

5. A humble imitation of the wisdom of Washington, we oppose all interferences in the affairs of the Slave States, yet on proper occasions, we will not fail to protest against the acts of Congress, and the Executive.

6. We support American industry and genius, oppose the adverse policy of foreign nations and facilities to introduce their goods into the U. States, and the navigation of Rivers and Harbors, and the construction of National Roads uniting the various sections of the Union.

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## CITY OF LANCASTER:

Thursday Morning Aug. 9, 1855

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## REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR,

SALMON P. CHASE, of Hamilton.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,

THOMAS H. FORD, of Richland.

FOR AUDITOR OF STATE,

FRANCIS M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE,

JAMES H. BAKER, of Ross.

FOR TREASURER OF STATE,

WILLIAM H. GIBSON, of Seneca.

FOR JUDGES OF THE SUPREME COURT,

(For the Full Term.)

JACOB BRINKERHOFF, of Richland.

(For the Vacancy.)

CHAS. C. CONVERS, of Muskingum.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL,

FRANCIS D. KIMBALL, of Medina.

FOR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS,

ALEX. G. CONOVER, of Miami.

REPUBLICAN MASS. MEETING ON MONDAY LAST.—With many of our fellow-citizens we visited the great Mass Meeting of the Republicans on Monday last upon the Public Square, Hon. S. P. Chase, Hon. T. H. Ford and Hon. A. P. Stone delighted thousands with their thrilling eloquence and startling facts. We believe all were pleased and none regretted the time spent in listening to these gentlemen. In another column we give at length the speech of the Hon. S. P. Chase. Want of space compels us to lay over the speeches of Hon. T. H. Ford and Hon. A. P. Stone; they were eloquent and effective and abounded with startling facts such as every freeman should know and ponder upon. We shall give them at length next week.

*THEIR* Resolutions of the Republican Mass Meeting:

*Resolved*, That the re-establishment of primitive Republicanism as taught by Washington and his compatriots, is and shall be our aim and object as members of the great Republican organization; to effect which,

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*Resolved*, That we desire to blot out that curse of political free tom—*party spirit*,—by uniting all good men as a band of brothers in the common cause of civil and religious liberty, but will oppose every effort on the part of political demagogues to unite church and state, and will unite in guarding our civil institutions against the aggressions of all religious sects, whose creeds either directly or indirectly come in collision with our Republican institutions.

*Resolved*, That we are opposed to slavery extension, but equally opposed to intermixing with it where it now Constitutionally exists.

*Resolved*, further, That the course pursued by the Cincinnati Times, in endeavoring to sow discord in the American ranks, justly calls for our condemnation and should be disowneanted by every true Republican.

*Resolved*, That we regard the nominees of the 13th of July Convention as correct representations of the sentiments embodied in these resolutions.

Signed,

W. S. BEATY,

JOSUA CLARKE,

M. D. BROCK,

JOHN KRAMER.

AMERICAN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—By private despatches we learn that the Executive Council of the American Party of Ohio have determined not to make any nomination for the coming campaign.—The action of the Committee is represented as being most harmonious and we are advised will be published in full.

*Mr. Denny*, of the Lebanon Star, gives his opinion of Medill:

The Ohio Statesman, and all the little tadpole Locofoco papers that wiggle their tails in its dirty pool; are appealing, with tears in their eyes, to the old Clay Whigs.

OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD.—Owing to the course of the leading paper in St. Louis, encouraging those who have claims against the company, to a lawless and mobocratic spirit, the Trustee of the Road has been compelled to stop the running of trains. Mr. Bacon says:—"Our trains have been stopped by armed mobs—our track has been torn up; our cars have been run from the side to the main track; our cars and locomotives thrown off the track; the lives of hundreds of individuals jeopardized thereby; threats of the most malignant kind made to our conductors and employees; and letters constantly sent to us threatening destruction to our trains and property, unless the demands of mobs were yielded to without delay."

The trains were stopped first on the 27th, and operations on the road will continue to be suspended until some remedy can be applied.

NEVER SATISFIED.—The Chattanooga Advertiser of Saturday last, says: "Every day for several weeks we have had rain. The rains now entreated by the farmers that the corn will be safe, though one expects still further decline."

The Milwaukee Sentinel states that the farmers in that region are now very busy gathering an abundant harvest, in good condition. Its accounts from every section are very favorable. In two weeks new wheat will come in rapidly. Prices within a week have declined 10c., and every one expects still further decline.

THE RIOT AT LOUISVILLE.

Fifteen or Twenty Killed.

TWENTY OR THIRTY WOUNDED.

[From the Louisville Journal.]

We deeply regret to have to record the scenes of violence, bloodshed, and house-burning which occurred in our city yesterday. We cannot now express our abhorrence of such things; nor can we find space in which to say what we would wish to say upon this subject. A terrible responsibility rests upon those who have incited the foreign population of our city to the deeds of violence which were the consequence of the riots. It is the First and Eighth Ward. We are confident that these riots were not occasioned by anything that happened at any of the several voting places. The election throughout the city, as far as we can learn, had passed off with unusual quiet, with the exception of a brutal outrage in the First ward, of which we shall speak presently, and some fighting at the Eighth ward polls, in which no one was much hurt. The riots were occasioned by indiscriminate and merciless assaults committed by foreigners, chiefly Irish, upon innocent citizens, peaceably attending to their own business, at some distance from any of the voting places. All the circumstances connected with these assaults, strongly indicate that they were premeditated and instigated by other parties than those by whom they were actually committed. We are now prepared to say that they were the consequences only of the incendiary appeals, for some time past, publicly made to our foreign population by some of the leaders of the Anti-American party, or that they were instigated by direct instructions of men with fiendish hearts, who control in a great measure the passions, and are able to dictate actions to the Germans and Irish who made these attacks. All the facts will probably be ascertained judicially, and then the responsibility will rest where it properly belongs. The circumstances as detailed to us, and the confessions of some of the miserable wretches who were made the victims of these insane and murderous violence, show that these assaults upon unoffending and innocent native-born citizens were premeditated, and that the blame attaches to others who are yet unnamed.

We have not time to give details. We assert, however, and are sure that it will be proved by respectable witnesses, that every act of bloodshed was begun by foreigners. That in every instance where violence ensued, the beginning of the riots was an unprovoked slaughter by foreigners of peaceful Americans while quietly passing in the street at a distance from the polls. This infuriated the populace, and a prompt and terrible resort to mob violence by which many foreigners were killed and much property destroyed was the consequence. In the first ward about 9 o'clock in the morning, while the election was proceeding quietly at the polls, Mr. Geo. Burge, a respectable and quiet American citizen, was brutally assailed by a party of Irishmen on Jackson Street, between Jefferson and Greene, without having given any provocation, he was knocked down and horribly beaten with stones and clubs. He attempted to escape from the hands by whom he was attacked, and ran into the alley of an adjoining house, where he was followed by his blood thirsty assailants, and cut, stabbed, and beaten until he was supposed to be dead, when one of these inhuman brutes deliberately opened his knife and proceeded to cut the throat of the murdered man. When this act of violence was made known a party of Americans started in pursuit of the murderers, who were subsequently arrested and lodged in jail by the Mayor and City Marshal.

In the afternoon between three and four o'clock, several Americans were fired upon and severely wounded while quietly riding or walking by the German brewery on Jefferson street, near the Braxton bridge. Among those were gentlemen, and several respectable citizens, who have been controlled by the leaders of the Miami tribe who have been controlled in public affairs.—The expeditors had become enormous, while the benefits were comparatively meager. The tax payers became satisfied that they were robbed by their graceless demagogues and scoundrels, and last fall they commenced the work of turning them out, and putting honest men in their places.—The work will continue till the last of the treasury exchequer is driven from the public crib, if we can jingle from the tone of the press of that city. We are very sure it ought so to continue.

Immediately after the first election held in Kansas, one of another of the Missouri invaders called upon the President and filed their complaints against the Governor, charging him with neglect of his official duties, illegal speculations in lands, &c.

We state upon authority that cannot be disputed that President Pierce at that time, told a friend, "I am satisfied that Mr. Chase is disunited, will please consider themselves confronted by MEDARY and, told, every time they utter this language, that they are a set of graceless liars. If the Statesman is disposed to add anything to this standing endorsement of Mr. Chase we shall give them at length next week.

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